# The Washington Times

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## FIGHTS FOR CHILD AGAINST HUSBAND

Lonely Mother Implores Courts to Restore Little Girl.

'As I walked home that dreary night and thought of my little one pining away and unable to see me, I felt resolved to endure publicity and sue my husband. My resolution came like a sudden shock, but I have never

That is how Mrs. May M. Leavy ac counts for her decision to fight for the possession of her twelve-year-old child. "His ungovernable temper and his violent actions toward me I bore for fourteen years," said she. "My life was a torment, but I sought to have peace. Now, however, it is not for myself alone but for my child that I am fighting. I shall not give up."

Went to Virginia.

Mrs. Leavy is now living at 8061/2 street northwest, ekink out an existence by taking in sewing, and spending every moment she can get from her work in her efforts to secure pos-session of the child.

"The little girl loves me," she declared;" she loves me dearly. She was taken away from me because my hus-band feared her testimony, should I bring suit for alimony."

The child is now at Madison, Va. She has been there for two months, and, during that time, has not been able to see or write to her mother. One little note, written in snatches and surrep titiously hurried off in a letter writter to Mrs. Leavy by a friend, has reached this city. It is a sad little epistle, filled with love and the hope that her mother will come and see her.

### The Child's Letter.

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"I am well and hope you are the same my dear darling mama I have been trying to get a letter to you every day but it seems that I have failed in all my plands to get a letter to you so I thought I would try this way to send a letter in Mrs. Taylor's letter to you. And dear darling mother please do not worry dear mama if I am so far away from you. My love is just as strong for you dear mama. Everything will be allright some time so dont worry dear darling mother. Write me a letter in Mrs. Taylor's letter. Dear mom please excuse this paper for it was the best I could get. Well i will close for this time. Love to my darling sweet mama irom your baby, from your baby,

"FLORENCE." With tears in her eyes, Mrs. Leavy tells of her one visit to Virginia to see

"It was a long trip to Madison," said she, "and I was tired when I arrived at Culpeper. Arriving there, I discovered Madison was a distance of fifteen miles from the railroad station. That distance I was forced to walk. I arrived at the house in which Florence lived by nightfall, and waited there for three-quarters of an hour to see her.

"All of my pleadings were futile. I could gain nothing from the persons in charge, and finally I was forced to come back to Washingten, my whole trip gone through for nought."

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Aside for his temper, Mrs. Leavy makes no allegations against her husband. She says that on several occasions he rushed at her as if to kill her. Her little daughter, she asserts, was and is well aware of her husband's disposition.

### Think She Will Win.

Attorneys Darr, Peyser & Taylor are preparing elaborately for the legal bat tle before them. Mr. Darr feels confident that Mrs. Leavy will gain possession of the child. Mrs. Leavy declares that when her child was taken from her the last word spoken was: "Remember, mama, get me back

Mr. Leavy is employed in the Postoffice Department, and is considered a
competent and efficient workman. His
relations with his fellow-employes have
been pleasant. Mrs. Leavy asserts that
the storms of passion possessing her
husband were entirely confined to his
fireside.

Warner medial contest among declaim
ers of the county schools, which came
off here today, there were ten contestants, namely: Eugene Jarboe, Sugarland; Harry Beall, Rockville; Medford
R. Canby, Colesville; Millard Rice,
parnestown; George Robrich, Bethesda;
fireside. Mr. Leavy is employed in the Post-

fireside. "Sometimes," said she, "he would behave for a week. Then he would lose his temper and fly about the house until I trembled for myself and the child."

The couple were married in 1894, and lived together until 1907. Mr. Leave, according to his wife, is fifty-six years old. She is considerably younger.

### WAGON STRIKES CHILD.

Elizabeth Jaquette, the two-and-a-half-year-old daughter of Charles A. Jaquette, a clerk in the Treasury Department, living at 1550 Fairmont street, was accidentally knocked down by a wagon at Fourteenth and U streets northwest, yesterday afternoon. The child was not seriously hurt.

### CHILD PINES FOR MOTHER



FLORENCE LEAVY, Who Is the Object of Parents' Legal Battle.

### SERPENT CURE" THIEF'S TRICK

Aged Gypsy Gets Money From Doctor in a Novel Manner.

PARIS, May 23 .- A doctor living in the Place Perriere was victimized in a daring and novel manner. An old gypsy woman called on him and asked him to visit her daughter, who was lying seriously ill in a caravan on the

fortifications nearby.
"I have tried the serpent cure," she said, "but there was no result. If you will allow me to pay your fee in advance, I shall be sure you will come."
The doctor consented, and the old woman handed him a 500-franc note. As the doctor was getting the change out of his safe, she again mentioned the "serpent cure," and he asked her what

"This," she said, and, taking a box from under her rags, she turned half dozen snakes out on the floor. The doctor was startled, and rushed out of the room. When he returned with a stick he found that the woman and the snakes had vanished, while all the money in his safe also had gone. He still held the 500 francs, but this proved to be counterfeit. Who Is Suing Husband for Possession

### D. A. R. CONTRIBUTES TO CLINTON ESCORT

The following committee from the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, will participate in the escort of the remains of General Clinton, May 27, when the body will be taken to New York for permanent in terment: Chairman, Mrs. Donald Mc-Lean, president general; Mrs. Ellen Lean, president general; Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, Mrs. Truman H. Newberry, Mrs. Stephen B. Elbins, Mrs. J. B. Foraker, Mrs. James McMillan, Mrs. Henry W. Taft, of New York; Mrs. Charles Terry, of New York; Mrs. Henry S. Bowron, of New York; Mrs. Charlotte E. Main, Mrs. E. F. Noble, Miss E. F. Plerce, Mrs. Amos G. Draper, Mrs. J. E. Gadsby, Mrs. John Paul Earnest, Mrs. M. G. Swormstedt, Mrs. H. V. Boynton, Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins, Mrs. R. C. Du Bois, Mrs. George G. Martin. G. Martin.

# ORDER OF SENATE

Great International Events

at London.

LONDON, May 23 .- One week from

oday the greatest international bal-con race the world has ever seen will

take place here for valuable prizes do-nated by Sir Thomas Lipton and Sir

Thomas Dewar, of whisky fame.

More than thirty balloons will start,

most of the foreign ones being Ger-

man. Among the well-known aeronaut

who will participate in the race are

M. Cailletet, Prince Roland Bonaparte, Prof. Busley, M. Fernand Jacobs, Comte

During the week of the race there

will be meetings in London of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale and

a visit to the war office balloon factory

at Farnborough. On June 24 members of the Aero Club will compete in the "hare and hounds" race for a cup pre-

sented by the Hon. C. S. Rolls. Com

petitors in their balloons will go to the one who lands nearest to the fugitive.

the longest journey in any balloon or airship in Great Britain will be com-

peted for on July 11, and on July 18 there will be a "stability" race for a

Harbord. The prize will be awarded to

loon at the most even altitude for a

given period of time. A sealed baro-

graph to record the altitudes auto-

matically will be issued to each com-

Throughout the year there will be

ham, which is now the headquarters of

the Aero Club. To cope with the ex-

ceptional requirements of the season a new twelve-inch main capable of de-

livering gas at the rate of 100,000 cubic feet per hour has been laid down.

PARIS, May 23.-Francois Coppee,

poet and dramatist, died here today. M

was a member of the French Academy, having been elected in 1884. By that

institution he was awarded the Prix-

Lambert, in recognition of the play, "Le

Passant," which he wrote at the sug-

gestion of Madame Agar, for Sarah

He was made a member of the Legion

of Honor in 1876. Two of his please, "The Jacobites" and "For the Crown," were produced in New York successfully.

PUBLIC PRINTER COMING.

The Manchuria, on which Publi

Printer John S. Leech sailed from Ma-

nila on April 25, is due to arrive in San Francisco, Cal., on Friday. It was stated at the Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department last night that Mr. Leech was expected to arrive in Washington between June 5 and 10.

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Coppee was sixty-six years old.

IS DEAD IN PARIS

NOTED PLAYWRIGHT

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The Hedges-Butler Challenge Cup for

Henry de la Vauly.

Commission Will Be Appointed by President to Make Inquiry.

he news yesterday that the District bill carried a provision for the appointment of a commission to investigate conditions in the District jail and workhouse, and to visit other correctional institutions for the purpose of making a report and recommendations relative to bettering local conditions, was pleasing to Thomas H. McKee, the newly appointed warden of the jail, who will assume his duties on June 1.

Since receiving his appointment Mr. McKee has been very busy seeking out the needs of the jail that he may cooperate in remedying the evils which are said to exist there. He has decided views upon what reforms should be nstituted, but is unwilling to be quoted on the subject until after he assumes the office to which he has been ap-

New Warden Realizes Conditions. Mr. McKee fully realizes the conditions of the jail, and the medieval penal and correctional methods in vogue in the District. He says that he will lose no time in doing all in his power to correct these conditions, and his standing and nfluence with Members and Senators is regarded as assuring favorable action on any recommendations he makes to conference, the item appropriating \$110,000 to construct a new north wing for the workhouse for males was finally eliminated and the following provision as a substitute was agreed to:

Commission to File Report.

"The President is authorized to appoint three commissioners, one of whom may be nominated by the Attorney General and one by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, who shall investigate the condition of the jail of the District of Columbia, now under the control of the Attorney General, and of the workhouse within said District and other buildings adjacent to said jail; and in connection with the investigation the commissioners, under the direction of the Attorney General may visit and inspect similar institu tions in other cities within the United

States.

"They shall report to the President on or before December 31, 1908, concerning said condition and the expediency of removing said jail, workhouse, and other buildings to other sites more appropriate for their needs and located so near to railroad lines as to secure suitable facilities for the delivery thereto of material suitable or necessary for industries to be therein carried on.

"They shall also make such other recommendations on the subject as may seem to them expedient; for the expenses of the commission there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,500 or so much thereof as may be necessary."

ENTERS BANKRUPTCY PLEA. Massif E. Hagger, who describes himself as a merchant now out of employment, living at 122 I street northeast, has filed in the Supreme Court of the District a voluntary petition in bank-ruptcy, in which he sets forth his debts as \$21,202.54 and his assers as \$3,650. 

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### TWO ARE KILLED ON FISHING TRIP

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They were on a fishing trip on the Thorn Apple river, about ten miles east of here. Thirty Balloons Will Start in

### KNABENSHUE AIRSHIP HAS BAD ACCIDENT

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 23.-Roy Knaben Carl Esbaugh, aged thirteen, and F. O. shue, the aeronaut, was forced to Carter, night operator for the Pere Mar- abandon his flight this morning, when nette railroad, at Fox, while rounding the top rail of the frame on his pas-

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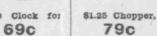
\$6.50, 6 peoples Dinner Sets, fine china, handsome decorations, 42 pleces, including large covered dish, meat platters, and soup\$3.49 plates. Removal price. \$4.00 2-burner Dangler Gasolene Stove; hest and safest.\$2.95 Double-burner Dangler Blue Flame Wickless Oil Cook Stove; smokeless and odorless; \$3.49 50c English Grass Hook, finest quality steel; will stay 39c sharp. Removal price.....

finish mortised; strongly and braced; any size, complete. Removal price... Removal price. 1.56 12-qt. Gray Enamel Covered Seamless Saucepan, with long 69c or ball handle. Removal price. 89c 8-qt. Gray Enamel Covered Seamless Saucepans; long or 49c Laft handle. Removal price. 49c

Water

Bucket







79c



33c



50c size Garbage Can, 25c

50c 8-qt. Preserving Kettle; 19c gray enamel. Removal price... 19c 35c 4-string fine Straw Parlor 19c Brooms. Removal price...........

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testants.

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Warner medal contest among declaim-

Walter Tolson, Sandy Springs; Otho

Trundle, Gaithersburg; Burch Brewer, Monocacy; Ellen C. Beall, Damascus,

Walter Tolson won the first prize, a \$20 gold piece; Harry Beall, second, a \$10 gold piece; Hallock Frye, third, a

\$5 gold piece. John M. Gassaway, C. Norman Boulc, and Edwin W. Broome

were the judges. Remarks were made by the Hon. Charles H. Treat, United

States Treasurer; Col. John G. Capers,

Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and B. H. Warner, donor of the prizes. The contest was witnessed by a large audi-

and Hallock Frye, Kensington,

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